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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 26, 2006, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 26, 2006, Applicants respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objection, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application.

**A Replacement Drawing** is attached hereto and described beginning on page 2 of this paper.  
**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.